To the Right Honourable

WILLIAM Lord VISCOUNT BROUNCKER,

CHANCELLOR to Her MAJESTY,

AND

PRESIDENT to the ROYAL SOCIETY, &c.

MY LORD,

AFter I had dedicated the First *Volume of theſe Philoſophical Occurrences to the* R. Society, *to whoſe ſervice I have dedicated* my ſelf, *I thought it my next duty to preſent the* Second *to your Lordſhip, who have for ſo many years with ſo high and univerſal an Applauſe* preſided *in that Illuſtrious Aſſembly, and there given full proof both of the vaſt extent of your knowledg, and the incomparable ſolidity of your judgment in all the various Arguments and Matters there produced, obſerved, experimented and diſcourſed of. This, my Lord, though it deſerves a far better Pen to be proclaim'd to the world, then mine; yet did I think, I might be ſuffer'd in this crowd to caſt in my voice, and to deliver the truth and my perſwaſion thereof in theſe plain expreſsions. To which I ſhall add no more but my humble acknowledgments for your Lordſhips particular favour and goodneſs, in condeſcending on all occaſions, to encourage theſe (though rude and undigeſted) Communications, and thereby to fortifie (againſt the obloquies of ſome ſingular men) the endeavours of the Authour for the improving and enlarging his Philoſophical Commerce; which, being done, may perhaps be a means to render theſe Papers leſs inconſiderable for the future.* I am,

My Lord,

Your Lordſhips

LONDON,
March 2. 1667
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Very humble, and very much
obliged Servant,

Henry Oldenburg.

Soc. Reg. Secr.